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Supervisor Alexander Opposes SEIU Harassing Private Business

Milwaukee County Supervisor Deanna Alexander is taking a stand against the SEIU using politicians to harassing a private business.

The private business is Supportive Homecare Options, which holds a county Family Care contract and is owned by Sally Sprenger, a vocal advocate of employees' right to work and to choose whether or not to join a union.

The SEIU essentially wrote left-wing Supervisor David Bowen's Living Wage Ordinance, which Sprenger opposed because of a loophole that gave business owners an incentive to move to a closed-shop union contract, forcing employees to unionize against their will. The loophole also allows unions to pad their paychecks while leaving employees with less pay – exempting the workers from the living wage they are legally entitled to.

Now that Sprenger has declined to betray her employees in accepting the incentives, Bowen has targeted her for an audit, and the SEIU has scheduled a rally outside Sprenger's place of business.

Supervisor Alexander believes that it is unethical for the County Board to single out Sprenger for such an audit because it is clearly political retribution.

"It seems that some Supervisors have ripped a page out of the IRS scandal playbook - feeling entitled to harass private businesses for political reasons" she said. "The people of Milwaukee County deserve better than that."

Supervisor Alexander invites members of the public to stand with her in defense of liberty during the SEIU rally.

When: 11am on Thursday, August 14, 2014

What: A Stand for Liberty

Where: The Corner of Harmonee Ave. & Wauwatosa Ave. in Wauwatosa.